



BIKE EDINA

April 10, 2014 Meeting Notes

Present: Sally Dunn, Don Eyberg, Rob Erickson, Jennifer Janovy, Peter Kelley, Larry Olson, Lori Richman, Tim Sudeith

Absent: Brad Schaeppi

Recorded by: Sally Dunn

I. Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. Action items — Bike Edina Status

a. The ETC has bylaws within which Bike Edina could be a working group.

The mission of Bike Edina would remain the same. Bike Edina could keep the current procedure for getting new members, but such members would need to be approved by the ETC. The chair of working group would need to be an ETC member. The Bike Edina website could no longer exist, but there would be a Bike Edina page on the city's website. The Bike Edina Facebook page would need to go away. Public communications, such as press releases, would need to go through the city. The city's website will have a link to the Bike Edina new member application, or a standard working group new member application once such application is developed. The city's liability protection would apply to Bike Edina as a working group. Bike Edina would not be bound by the open meeting law, but would continue to operate openly. Lori moved that this new status be accepted. Larry seconded the motion. All voted in favor, except Rob Erickson, who abstained. Motion passed. Other than Rob, all members present were interested in having their names forwarded for appointment

to the working group. Lori will confirm that Nick Essma wants to be included as a member and let Jennifer know.

III. Discussion Items

- a. Biking on sidewalks advisory communication. At the last ETC meeting, members voted to prepare an advisory communication to the city council to recommend a change to the biking on sidewalk ordinance. The advisory communication talks about the importance of education about riding on sidewalks. Jennifer will send out the draft and asked for comments prior to the April 17 ETC meeting. The proposed new ordinance would allow riding on sidewalks except where posted, or except where a building entrance abuts the sidewalk. It was noted that every other community allows riding on sidewalks, with some limitations. The advisory communication draft has been sent to the Police Department for review.
- b. Environmental forum on April 28. Paul Thompson requested that Bike Edina have a table at this event, to be held at the High School, starting at 6:00 p.m.
- c. Traffic Skills 101 class. This class is a prerequisite for anyone wanting to become a League certified instructor. The class will be held May 2-3. Don has signed up, and Lori has contacted Nick Mason about signing up.
- d. Bike Rodeo. The Parks Department is including a bike rodeo as part of National Kids To Parks day on May 17. The rodeo will be at Rosland Park, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Ten to 12 volunteers are needed. Larry and Lori volunteered. Peter, Tim and Jennifer need to check their schedules. The target is five to eight volunteers from Bike Edina.
- e. Bike To Work Week event on June 18. The 50th and France Business Association and Commuter Services are partnering to hold a Bike To Work Week event on Wednesday, June 18. Bike Edina will have a table.
- f. Bike To School Day, May 7. Peter has been working on this at SouthView. Larry will check with Cornelia. If there is rain, the event will be rescheduled for May 14.

- g.** Bike parking was discussed. There is a lack of bike parking at certain locations, such as Southdale, and city ordinance prohibits bike parking on public property except where designated. The proposed biking on sidewalks ordinance changes would also impact bike parking; however, bike parking is not the focus of the advisory communication. Jennifer suggested that Bike Edina should discuss this next time.
- h.** Jennifer attended the CicLAvia in L.A. last week. This is L.A.'s version of open streets. The city closed Wilshire Blvd. (six miles) to automobile traffic.

IV. Update: Following the meeting, Brad Schaapi resigned as an active member of Bike Edina.

V. Next meeting—May 18

VI. Adjourned at 8:45 p.m.